To Whom It May Concern,

I am a concerned resident of Redding, CT (130 Topstone Rd) in Fairfield County. I ask that you do the following:

- 1. Vote NO on SB 874, SB 738 and SB 457.
- Regarding SB 874, SB 738 and SB 457, forced regionalization is bad for our entire education system
 in the State and will remove the local control of our schools that has defined our unique
 communities. Forced regionalization has failed in several states and does a dis-service to all State
 residents.
- 3. Regarding **SB 874**, homeschooling parents should not be required to personally sign a registration form at the local school.
- 4. Regarding SB 874, homeschooling parents do not need a model curriculum offered by the CT Department of Education. Curriculum are already available on the website of the CT Department of Education, and there are various other curriculum easily accessible and available to parents. Also, I object to the forced registration of homeschooled children. If this fixed some problem, I would understand, but it doesn't. Studies show (1. and 2.) that homeschooled children do better than their public schooled peers.

Sincerely,

Roger Lancaster

- 1. https://www.nheri.org/research-facts-on-homeschooling/
- 2. https://www.nmu.edu/education/sites/DrupalEducation/files/UserFiles/Moreau_Kathi_MP.pdf